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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTER-CONGRESSMAN WAYNE HAYS MEETING

1. SUMMARY: CONGRESSMAN WAYNE HAYS, ACCOMPANIED BY  
AMBASSADOR, MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL  
FOR 45 MINUTES MAY 20. CONGRESSMAN MADE STRONG  
PITCH FOR CONTINUED STRONG DUTCH DEFENSE EFFORT.  
CONGRESSMAN AND VAN DER STOEL ALSO DISCUSSED  
EC UNITY, ATLANTIC PARTNERSHIP, GREECE AND PORTUGAL.  
VAN DER STOEL'S COMMENTS ON DEFENSE WHITE PAPER  
BEING REPORTED SEPTEL. END SUMMARY.

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2. ATLANTIC PARTNERSHIP - EC UNITY: ACCOMPANIED BY AMBASSADOR, CONGRESSMAN WAYNE HAYS MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER VAN DER STOEL AFTERNOON MAY 20. HAYS BEGAN CONVERSATION BY OBSERVING ATTITUDES OF DANES, GERMANS AND BRITISH TOWARD ATLANTIC ALLIANCE IMPROVING. FOREIGN MINISTER AGREED AND NOTED THAT MINISTERS IN NEW FRG AND UK GOVERNMENTS ARE WELL-KNOWN FOR THEIR ATLANTIC INTERESTS. VAN DER STOEL SUGGESTED FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN IN PARTICULAR WILL DO EVERYTHING HE CAN TO PROMOTE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE. CONGRESSMAN HAYS SAID HE WILL RETURN IN JULY TO SEE CALLAGHAN. FON MIN COMMENTED CLIMATE IN UK AND NOW IN FRG ALSO MORE FAVOABLE FOR THOSE SEEKING EC COOPERATION AND END TO EUROPEAN "INTROSPECTION".

3. DEFENSE: CONGRESSMAN HAYS SAID HE WAS STRONG PROPONENT US TROOP PRESENCE IN EUROPE AND SAID IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN THIS POSITION IN US CONGRESS IF EUROPEANS, INCLUDING DUTCH, WERE TO CUT BACK DEFENSE EFFORTS. CONGRESSMAN SUGGESTED NATO SHOULD BE BROADENED TO INCLUDE ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL MATTERS SINCE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE ENTAILS MORE THAN MILITARY CONSIDERATIONS. VAN DER STOEL AGREED ECONOMIC PROBLEMS, ETC. NEED TO BE ADDRESSED JOINTLY BUT DISAGREED ON DESIRABILITY DOING SO IN NATO CONTEXT.

4. ECONOMIC PROBLEMS: VAN DER STOEL SUGGESTED IT NECESSARY TO DEVELOP SOME FORM OF "EARLY WARNING SYSTEM" TO ENSURE THERE NO DANGER OF US-EUROPE ECONOMIC CONFRONTATION. FON MIN SAID WASHINGTON ENERGY CONFERENCE WAS EXAMPLE OF SUCCESSFUL MUTUAL UNDERTAKING IN ECONOMIC AREA AND GON ACTIVELY WORKING ON FOLLOW-UP. MINISTER OBSERVED THAT REGULAR MEETINGS EVERY SIX MONTHS OR SO BETWEEN US AND EUROPE COULD HELP IDENTIFY POSSIBLE CONFLICT AREAS AND THEREBY PRECLUDE CONFLICTS FROM ARISING. AMBASSADOR QUESTIONED NEED FOR NEW INSTITUTIONS SINCE WE HAVE AN AMBASSADOR TO THE EC WHO IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR CONSULTATIONS.

5. GREECE: CONGRESSMAN HAYS ASKED MINISTER'S EVALUATION OF SITUATION IN GREECE. VAN DER STOEL REPLIED THAT HE HAD CONFIDENTIAL

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THOUGHT PAPADOPOULOS HAD BEEN MOVING IN RIGHT DIRECTION BUT NOW GREECE IS INCREASINGLY POLARIZED. FON MIN THOUGHT SOMEONE MIGHT BE FOUND TO RESTORE NORMALCY, PERHAPS CARAMANLIS. VAN DER STOEL SAID HE APPRECIATED US RELUCTANCE INTERFERE BUT WONDERED WHETHER USG COULD NOT SIGNAL TO GREEKS EITHER THROUGH DIPLOMATIC OR MILITARY CONTACTS THAT GREECE SHOULD CHANGE ITS COURSE. HAYS SAID HE PERSONALLY ALERTED PAPADOPULOS ONLY YEAR AGO TO

DANGERS GREECE FACED. CONGRESSMAN SAID GREEK AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON HAS TOLD HIM FREQUENTLY NEW GOVERNMENT WANTS ELECTIONS, BUT HE DOUBTED SINCERITY OF THIS OBSERVATION. CONGRESSMAN AND FOREIGN MINISTER AGREED THAT MAN REALLY IN CHARGE IN GREECE IS CHIEF OF NATIONAL POLICE. VAN DER STOEL CONCLUDED DISCUSSION OF GREECE BY SAYING SITUATION THERE POSES VERY REAL DIRECT AND INDIRECT DANGER TO NATO.

6. PORTUGAL: AMBASSADOR ASKED FOREIGN MINISTER FOR HIS OBSERVATIONS ON PORTUGUESE DEVELOPMENTS. VAN DER STOEL SAID FOREIGN MINISTER SOARES IS PERSONAL FRIEND, DEFINITELY PRO-NATO AND ANTI-COMMUNIST. VAN DER STOEL EXPRESSED HOPE PORTUGUESE WOULD BE SUCCESSFUL IN SOLVING COLONIAL PROBLEMS AND FELT SPINOLA GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE SUPPORTED NOW TO PREVENT FURTHER GAINS BY PORTUGUESE COMMUNISTS.  
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